

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For: Method of Determining the Salt Content
of a Liquid and Device for Practicing
the Method

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Preliminary Amendment

Sir:

With a view to avoiding excess claims fees otherwise due, Applicant courteously requests that its claims as amended under Rule 66 PCT be amended as follows:

Claim 1, line 1: change "Method" to --A method--;

claim 2, line 1: change "Measuring" to --The--;

claim 3, line 1: change "Measuring" to --The-- and "according to" to --of- and cancel "1 or";

claim 4, line 1: change "Measuring" to --The-- and "according to at least one of claims 1 to" to --of--;

claim 5, line 1: change "Measuring" to --The-- and "according to at least one of claims 1 to" to --of--;

claim 6, line 1: change "Measuring" to --The-- and "according to at least one of claims 1 to" to --of--;

claim 7, line 1: change "Measuring" to --The-- and "according to at least one of claims 1 to" to --of--;

claim 8, line 1: change "Apparatus for practicing the method according to at